

Appl. No. : 09/989,893
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REMARKS

In the Office Action, the Examiner indicated that claims 5-9 were previously recorded as being allowed and that claims 11 and 12 are allowed over the prior art of record. The Examiner however rejected claims 1-4 and 10 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by US 5,758,392 to Anscher et al. The Applicant cancels claims 1-4 and 10 by this paper. The Applicant also respectfully requests entrance of new claims 13-15 which depend from the allowed claim 11 and which the Applicant believes further define the Applicant's invention.

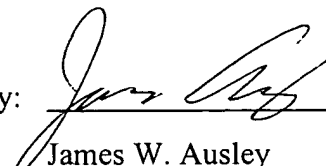
The Applicant believes that entrance of this amendment places the subject application in a condition ready for allowance and respectfully requests prompt issuance of a Notice of Allowability. However, should there remain any further impediments to the allowance of this application that might be resolved by telephone conference, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the Applicant's undersigned representative at the indicated telephone number.

Please charge any additional fees, including any fees for additional extension of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

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